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Marinette est persuadée que ses sentiments pour Adrien sont la cause d'une défaite en tant que Ladybug face à Papillombre. Elle décide alors de renoncer à son amour pour le jeune collégien.
D'autant qu'en tant que Ladybug, elle se prépare, avec Chat Noir, à affronter un Papillombre plus fort que jamais. Mais les jours passent et plus aucun akumatisé ne vient tourmenter Paris. Papillombre aurait-il abandonné ?

When Marinette becomes convinced that her feelings for Adrien caused her defeat against Shadow Moth as Ladybug, she decides to give up on her love for the young schoolboy.
Besides, as Ladybug, she's getting ready to fight a more powerful than ever Shadow Moth, with Cat Noir's help. But as the days go by, not a single akumatized shows up to torment Paris. Could Shadow Moth possibly have given up?

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1 **TV INSERT**

The TV helicopter is flying around an illusion created by Monarch in front of the Eiffel Tower. *

1 MONARCH *
People of Paris, Ladybug had promised to protect you? Well, she lied to you. Behold her defeat: I am Monarch, more powerful than ever... * * *

Ladybug and Cat Noir are standing in front of the illusion.

2 NADJA CHAMACK
The big question on everyone's lips: how did Monarch manage to get his hands on the Miraculous Ladybug was supposed to protect? * *

Footage of Ladybug surrounded by her team of superheroes (reuse episode 426). Freeze frame.

2 **EXT. TROCADERO ROOF - NIGHT**

Ladybug has just frozen the frame on her Bugphone; she's showing it to Cat Noir. She zooms in on Flairmidable among the superheroes.

3 LADYBUG
I thought the holder of the Dog Miraculous was Adrien Agreste.
(She turns to Cat Noir)
You know who I'm talking about?

4 CAT NOIR
Uh, vaguely, yes.

On Cat Noir (aka Adrien Agreste). Behind him is a huge poster of model Adrien Agreste!

5 LADYBUG
Well it turns out -- Flairmidable *wasn't* Adrien Agreste! But I didn't know that. And I mistakenly gave the Miraculous to his cousin, Felix - he looks so much like him he managed to pass himself off as Adrien. * *

Ladybug brings up a picture of Felix (not disguised as Adrien) on her smartphone.

Cat Noir fumes.

6 CAT NOIR
And that's how that copycat stole all the Miraculous from you!

7 LADYBUG
Yes. And now Monarch has them. *

8 CAT NOIR
In that case they both made a mistake - because that proves the two of them are linked somehow.

Ladybug nods.

9 LADYBUG
We have to hunt down Felix.

She takes out an element to upgrade her suit (space magicaron)...

10 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
Let's switch to hyper speed!

...when Grand Master Su Han comes out of nowhere and gracefully lands before them.

11 GRAND MASTER SU HAN
Ladybug, you were supposed to protect the Miraculous. You have failed in your duty as guardian.

3 **INT. LAIR - NIGHT**

12 DUALMONARCH *
Dark wings fall.

An upgraded Monarch (DualMonarch) turns back into Gabriel Agreste. *

All the kwamis come out of the jewels and fly around the fashion designer. He gazes at them victoriously.

13 GABRIEL AGRESTE
I swore I'd have you all under my control.

He gets closer. The kwamis step back.

14 GABRIEL AGRESTE (CONT'D)
Granted, two of your friends managed to get away from my dear nephew Felix...
(bitter) *
And the Miraculous of the Rabbit *
did get away from me... *
(evil smile) *
But don't be fooled: now that your powers are mine, Ladybug's and Cat Noir's kwamis will soon join you.

The magical creatures huddle together, terrorized.

4 **EXT. TROCADERO ROOF - NIGHT**

Standing before Su Han, Ladybug gets offended:

15 LADYBUG
But... I did protect the Miraculous!

16 GRAND MASTER SU HAN
Then how do you explain that they are no longer in your possession? The 15 that remained in the box, including the Rabbit. What would happen if Monarch decided to use that Miraculous to change the course of time? *

17 CAT NOIR
He already tried.

Su Han is overwhelmed by surprise.

18 CAT NOIR (CONT'D)
Don't worry - we got it back and put it somewhere safe - we entrusted it to an exceptional holder.

19 LADYBUG
And we're going to do the same for all the others!

20 CAT NOIR
Because now we finally have a clue that might lead us to Monarch. *

21 LADYBUG
So instead of blaming us, help us, Grand Master. And trust us for once.

A stunned beat before Su Han reacts and starts apologizing. As is customary in China when someone wants to apologize, he bows down and touches the ground with his forehead.

22 GRAND MASTER SU HAN
You are right, Ladybug. I should have helped you. Instead I let myself be distracted by the modern world, like these incredibly expensive shoes, and these electronic gadgets that wasted away four months of my existence with videos of cute kittens!
(he rage-throws his phone away)
I have been a guardian for longer than you have;
(MORE)

GRAND MASTER SU HAN (CONT'D)
I am more experienced and stronger, and instead of being a piercing spear, I should have been a protective shield...

He keeps kowtowing as he speaks.

23 LADYBUG
Fine, fine, but please get up - you know, everybody makes mistakes, so uh, just find something you can do to help us. That'd be great!

24 GRAND MASTER SU HAN
You are right! I'll... I'll go back to the Temple to get some backup.

Su Han leaves the way he came, in one leap.

25 CAT NOIR
He's not going to leap all the way to Tibet like that, is he?

Ladybug swallows the magicaron. Cat Noir does the same with a space magicamembert. *

LADYBUG
Power up!

CAT NOIR (CONT'D)
Power up!

They upgrade into Astrocat and Cosmobug.

27 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
Let's locate Felix.

As they take off, she reads off her Bugphone.

28 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
Felix is the son of British billionaire Russel Doe, who died last year...

5 **CLIP SEQUENCE**

As Cosmobug continues reading O.S., we see shots of our heroes searching around Paris.

29 LADYBUG (V.O.)
A triple Kung Fu medalist, England's youngest graduate...

They stop for a beat: a young blonde man from behind... but when they see his face, they realize it's not Felix (it's Wayem!)

30 LADYBUG (V.O.)
Felix lives in London with his mother, Amelie Graham de Vanilli...

Our heroes hurry down the Startrain tunnel...

31 LADYBUG (V.O.)
...twin sister to the wife of famous fashion designer Gabriel Agreste.

They come out of the Channel, past Big Ben...

6 **INT. GRAHAM DE VANILLY APARTMENT - NIGHT**

Cosmobug and Astrocat are in a luxurious apartment. Out the window, a beautiful view of London. Standing before them, Amelie, Felix's mother, is worried.

32 AMELIE
My son wasn't here this morning when I woke up. I didn't worry because I thought he might have gone to see his cousin Adrien in Paris. Those two are so fond of each other!

On Cat Noir, doubtful.

33 AMELIE (CONT'D)
But Felix wasn't returning my calls so I contacted his uncle Gabriel. He told me he hadn't seen him.

34 LADYBUG
And yet he was in Paris -- I talked to him.

35 AMELIE
Oh, Cosmobug, Astrocat, I hope nothing's happened to him!

36 LADYBUG
Don't worry, Ma'am, he'll probably end up at his uncle's...

37 CAT NOIR
Or he might already be on his way back home to London!

38 AMELIE
Thanks so much to the two of you for your support.

Amelie warmly takes Ladybug's and Cat Noir's hands in hers.

7 **EXT. ABOVE THE CLOUDS - NIGHT**

Cosmobug and Astrocat debrief the situation above the clouds.

39 ASTROCAT
What if we're wrong about Felix?

40 COSMOBUG
Do you think he might be one of Monarch's victims instead? *

41 ASTROCAT
I don't know...

42 COSMOBUG
He was our only lead to recover the Miraculous.

A beat.

43 ASTROCAT
We'll find more leads. Monarch will keep attacking. We'll find out what happened to Felix eventually. *

44 COSMOBUG
Until we do, we're gonna have to be very careful.

Cat Noir nods.

45 LADYBUG
Let's head back. It's been a long day.

Our heroes disappear into the sky, flying at an incredible speed.

8 **EXT. / INT. ALLEY - SEWERS - NIGHT**

Cosmobug lands in an alley. She looks around. No one. She lifts up a manhole cover and slips inside. Once she's certain she's safe, safely hidden in a dark corner...

46 COSMOBUG
Spots off.

As Tikki is about to say something, she motions her not to make any noise and gives her a macaron.

9 **INT.MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Marinette steps inside her room with Tikki still in her purse. The room is gloomily empty and quiet. Marinette draws the curtains shut. She scans her room. Sees the kwamis:

Xuppu using a banana as a seesaw:

47 XUPPU
Hey! Riding bananas is awesome!

Roarr, Ziggi and Daizzi are using the sink as a playground slide.

48 ROARR, ZIGGI, DAIZZI
Weeeeeeee!!!!

Then (dissolve), they disappear. Silence fills the room. Marinette takes the sewing box and puts it in her trunk.

Marinette sits down. She has a hard time holding back her tears. She gives Tikki in her purse a small comforting wink. But the sadness in her face doesn't fool anybody. Marinette takes her phone and calls Alya.

49 MARINETTE
Alya? *(a beat)* Yeah, I'm ok... I'm back home. (*a beat, emotional, fighting back tears)* Can you come and sleep over tonight? *(a beat)* Thanks, see you in five...

10 **INT. ADRIEN'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Astrocat gets home...

50 ASTROCAT
Claws in!

... and turns back into Adrien. As he feeds Plagg, he scans his room. Sees the basketball on the floor, picks it up, and hears (excerpt from episode 425):

51 FELIX (O.S.)
Remember how we would pretend to be each other when we were little?

Adrien looks up and sees Felix standing before him (disguised as Adrien), handing him a folded suit (as in episode 425):

52 FELIX (CONT'D)
Well, we're gonna do the same thing, because unlike you, I can say no to your father.

Adrien throws the ball towards the apparition. It disappears upon impact, like a ghost.

53 ADRIEN
(to himself)
I never should have let Felix influence me. I should have listened to Marinette!

Superimposed images of the conversation he had with her in episode 425 appear behind him.

54 MARINETTE (O.S.)
You've gotta talk to your father, Adrien.

Adrien turns to Plagg:

55 ADRIEN
What do you think Plagg?

Plagg is sulking.

56 PLAGG
I think you went to London and you didn't even bring back a nice Stilton or Cheddar!

11 **INT. GABRIEL'S STUDY - NIGHT**

Adrien steps inside his father's study. Gabriel is standing at his digital desk, drawing. More impassive than ever, he's drawing a new suit – with gloves. But Adrien can't see it.

57 ADRIEN
Father, I have something important to tell you, but I don't know how...

Gabriel doesn't stop drawing, doesn't look up:

58 GABRIEL
Get to the point, Adrien, you can see I'm busy.

59 ADRIEN
I don't want to be a model anymore.

60 GABRIEL
(still not looking up)
Fine. If that's what you want.

Adrien, stunned, stays rooted to the spot. Gabriel eventually looks up. Their eyes finally meet.

61 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
Was there something else?

Adrien leaves the room, speechless.

We stay on Gabriel, scratching his forearm (without rolling up his sleeve) before going back to his drawing. *

12 **INT. MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Marinette and Alya are wearing their pajamas, sitting cross-legged on the bed. Marinette whispers:

62 MARINETTE
There will be no more holders! No more Rena Rouge, no more Carapace... because of me, Monarch is stronger than ever before! *

63 ALYA
It's not your fault, Marinette.

64 MARINETTE
Of course it is. It all happened because I mistook Felix for Adrien. Can you believe that?

65 ALYA
Of course I can! Felix was passing himself off as Adrien! He would have fooled anyone!

66 MARINETTE
Not me!
(A beat)
I say I'm in love with Adrien... But maybe I don't even know him.

Alya tries to play for time (iconic still frames of the moments mentioned pop up behind her).

67 ALYA
So not true! You've been through a lot together! You practiced your video game skills together in this very room, he wore your fashion designs, you went to the movies together, you even kissed him at the Musée Grévin! I mean... you thought it was his statue!

The memory of the anecdote sends Marinette hiding her face behind a pillow, blushing and ashamed.

68 MARINETTE
Oh no, I did do that, didn't I? But see? It proves my love for him is blind. I can't tell the difference between the actual Adrien and a statue! And because of that, I made the biggest mistake of my life: I lost the Miraculous and their kwamis!

69 ALYA
You've already got one back. And you'll get the others back too.

70 MARINETTE
As long as I'm fighting against Monarch, I can't be distracted by my love for Adrien! I don't deserve him anyway. No more intricate plans to get him to fall for me. I can't afford to make any more mistakes. *

71 ALYA
Hello -- Need I remind you you've tried to not be in love with him before? *

72 MARINETTE
This time though, I'll do whatever it takes. The safety of Paris is at stake. I have to be the guardian of the Miraculous before anything else!

In the middle of her monologue, her smartphone rings. Adrien's face appears on screen. Marinette starts juggling with the phone as if it was burning hot.

Alya teases her:

73 ALYA
Well well well, a boy you don’t love is calling. Are you going to pick up?

But Marinette persists, determined:

74 MARINETTE
No, no, no! I don’t know him and I don’t pick up calls from strangers!

Alya smiles and picks up for Marinette.

13 **SPLIT SCREEN - MARINETTE'S ROOM / ADRIEN'S ROOM**

75 ALYA
Marinette Dupain Cheng’s assistant, who is this?

76 ADRIEN
Alya?

Marinette motions to Alya: Nonono!

77 MARINETTE
(whispering)
Tell him I’m not here.

78 ALYA
Marinette is telling me to tell you she isn’t here. That’s kind of weird...

Marinette grimaces and hides her face in her hands in embarrassment. Alya can't stop laughing.

79 ADRIEN
Ah. That’s too bad. When she’s back, can you tell her my father was fine with me not wanting to model anymore?

80 ALYA
What?! You don’t want to be a model anymore?! Now that’s a scoop!

Marinette snatches the phone from her.

81 MARINETTE
You had a heart to heart with your father? That’s wonderful!

82 ADRIEN
Marinette! You’re back?

83 MARINETTE
Yes, uh, I was gone but now I’m back. I do that sometimes. I’m a blackbelt in going back and forth, actually!

84 ADRIEN
I've been meaning to tell you... Ever since I started school, so many new things have happened to me. There’s still a lot I don’t fully get. But there's one thing I know: my life would be very different without you in it. You’ve always been there for me... through every rough patch, giving me good advice. You’re special. Thank you, Marinette.

85 MARINETTE
Uh... you’re... welcome?!

86 ADRIEN
I mean it. I wanted you to know how important you are to me. And hopefully someday I can do as much for you as you’ve done for me.

Alya can't wait to hear Marinette's answer.

87 MARINETTE
Well that sounds great! See you tomorrow then?!

88 ADRIEN
Sweet dreams, Marinette.

89 MARINETTE
You bet!

As Marinette hangs up, Alya throws her hands in the air:

90 ALYA
That’s it! That’s it! You two are finally going to fall in love! See? You do know each other!

91 MARINETTE
What? It’s not like that! He’s just a school buddy! Someone I know... kind of... but not that well!

Alya throws her arms up, fuming:

92 ALYA
Gaaaah! You gotta be kidding me!!!

14 **INT. ADRIEN'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Adrien flops onto his bed as he hangs up. He looks at Marinette's contact picture on his phone and sighs:

93 ADRIEN
Marinette is so... special!

94 PLAGG
If you insist on saying she’s just a friend with that silly smile on your face, then you’re as fake as pasteurized cheese.

Adrien doesn’t answer. He’s lost in the contemplation of the picture.

15 **EXT. AGRESTE MANSION - COURTYARD - NIGHT**

Shot of the courtyard of the mansion. The Gorilla's car is parking. Nathalie steps out of it and looks towards Gabriel's study. Standing at the window, he looks down when their eyes meet. Nathalie steps inside the house.

(Note: Nathalie moves around thanks to her exoskeleton).

16 **INT. ADRIEN'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Adrien has fallen asleep on his bed with his phone in his hand. Nathalie pops the door open to watch him. She smiles a melancholy smile, then leaves.

17 **INT. SCHOOL - DAY**

Mr. Kubdel is standing before Marinette and Adrien's class.

95 MR. KUBDEL
My daughter, your friend Alix, will be away for some time.

On Marinette.

96 MR. KUBDEL (CONT'D)
Ladybug has authorized me to tell you that Alix was chosen to be a superhero: Bunnyx!

Behind Mr. Kubdel, on the board, several pictures of Alix as a superheroin pop up, in different eras, past and future.

97 THE KIDS
Whoa!

Alya puts a comforting hand on Marinette's hand.

98 MR. KUBDEL
As long as Monarch is undefeated, she will travel through time so he cannot take her Miraculous. Once he's been overpowered, she can return. *

Mr. Kubdel is emotional. Miss Bustier puts a hand on his shoulder to show support.

Surprised murmurs go through the ranks.

99 MR. DAMOCLES
Thank you Mr. Kubdel. We can only commend you and your daughter for your courage. Everyone should be ready to help Ladybug and Cat Noir like Alix was.

On the kids who've already been superheroes.

100 MISS BUSTIER
Quite right, Mr. Damocles. Not only that, you don't have to be a superhero to support them!

101 MYLENE
But Monarch is really scary now... *

102 MAX
And rightly so: he now has 78.95% of the Miraculous, and higher odds of winning.

103 NINO
Max, statistics are nice and all but you’re bringing everybody down right now !

Ivan gets up and sits next to Mylene to reassure her.

104 IVAN
Usually when you're scared, you practice yoga, and it works.

Mylene puts her head against Ivan's broad shoulder.

105 MARINETTE
Ivan's right, Mylene. Maybe you could help people like you to balance their emotions -- we can't let fear get the better of us.

Adrien shoots Marinette, sitting behind him, an admiring look, nodding, agreeing with her.

106 ROSE
Monarch won't win if we stay positive! *

Mylene smiles. Positive murmurs go through the class.

107 CHLOE
You guys are tired of being scared? Then why don't we give Monarch what he's after? It's because Ladybug and Cat Noir are incompetent that we're all in danger! That would never have happened with Queen Bee! *

Chloe's put a damper on everybody's mood with her negativity.

108 LILA
Ladybug is young, Chloe. With all those responsibilities and powers, she was bound to make a few mistakes. We have to find the strength to forgive her. It shouldn't be a child's duty to fight Monarch. *

Marinette rolls her eyes, annoyed by Lila.

109 SABRINA
It's true! It's usually my dad's job to stop bad guys!

110 ALYA
You're right, Lila. We can't let Ladybug down!

Everybody <cheers> - except for Chloe, who's not convinced, Marinette, who's incensed, and Adrien, who's worried.

Start **CLIP SEQUENCE**.

18 **EXT. EIFFEL TOWER - EVENING**

Ladybug and Cat Noir are perched on top of the Eiffel Tower. They scan the city, determined, ready to step in the second they spot something suspicious. But nothing happens...

19 **INT. AGRESTE MANSION - ENTRANCE HALL - DAY**

Adrien walks across the entrance hall of his house, on his way out to school. The door to the study is ajar and he can see his father inside talking with Mrs. Tsurugi. Adrien takes a step towards it... but the Gorilla closes the door in his face

20 **EXT. OUTSIDE SCHOOL - DAY**

The Gorilla opens the door for Adrien. He steps out of the car and meets up with his friends outside school.

Adrien goes to kiss Marinette hello, but Marinette holds out her hand. He shakes it.

Alya facepalms.

21 **EXT. JARDIN DES TUILERIES - DAY**

Mylene is teaching yoga to dozens of people of all ages in the Tuileries garden, including many students from the class. *

22 **INT. CESAIRE APARTMENT - DAY**

Nora's set up a cardboard cutout of Monarch. She's showing * boxing techniques to Alya and Nino, using the cutout as a target. Alya and Nino go over the moves with her.

23 **EXT. EIFFEL TOWER - EVENING**

At a lower level on the Eiffel Tower, Ladybug and Cat Noir are still observing, but more casually.

24 **EXT. OUTSIDE SCHOOL - DAY**

The Gorilla opens the door for Adrien. He steps out of the car and meets up with his friends outside school.

Adrien goes to kiss Marinette hello. Marinette holds out her hand, but Alya brings it down. Marinette holds out her other hand, and Adrien shakes her left hand.

Alya facepalms.

25 **EXT. JARDIN DES TUILERIES - DAY**

Mylene is teaching yoga again, to fewer people.

26 **INT. CESAIRE APARTMENT - DAY**

Nora is still training against the Monarch cardboard cutout. * Alya and Nino, though, are playing video games on the couch.

27 **INT. TSURUGI'S LAB - DAY**

The Italian photographer's set up a hundred cameras around Adrien, who's being photographed 360° with his arms held out - and instantly digitized onto the computer as Gabriel and Mrs. Tsurugi, attending the shoot, look on.

It's Lila's turn next.

28 **EXT. JARDIN DES TUILERIES - DAY**

Mylene's teaching yoga again. Ivan is the only one left in attendance.

29 **INT. CESAIRE APARTMENT - DAY**

The cardboard cutuout of Monarch is still there in the apartment, but Nora is now playing video games with Alya and Nino. *

END CLIP SEQUENCE

30 **TV INSERT**

Nadja Chamack is on TV.

111 NADJA CHAMACK
It has been weeks since any villain last attacked Paris. Could this mean that Monarch is no longer a threat? *

31 **EXT. EIFFEL TOWER - EVENING**

On the first level of the Eiffel Tower, Ladybug and Cat Noir are no longer watching anything: they're playing cards to while away the time.

112 CAT NOIR
You've gotten pretty good at Rummy, M'Lady...but not as good as me!

113 LADYBUG
We'll see 'bout that, Kittycat.

114 CAT NOIR
Do you think we're finally rid of Monarch? *

115 LADYBUG
That'd be too easy.

116 CAT NOIR
And still no news from Felix.

117 LADYBUG
Nothing. So weird.

32 **EXT. OUTSIDE SCHOOL - DAY**

The Gorilla opens the door for Adrien. He steps out of the car and meets his friends outside school. The car drives away.

Adrien is about to try and kiss Marinette hello. Marinette is about to hold out her hand - but this time Alya immobilizes both her hands. Adrien is finally going to be able to kiss her (Note: *la bise*) when -

THUD... THUD... THUD...

IN charges IKARI GOZEN like a giant mechanical horse. She stops outside the school.

118 IKARI GOZEN
All these old buildings from a bygone era!

With one slice of her gigantic sword, she cuts off part of the building.

119 IKARI GOZEN (CONT'D)
It's time to raze the old Paris to the ground and turn it into a modern city!

Part of the school building collapses.

On Marinette and Adrien, stunned.

When she sees that Marinette isn't moving, Alya, steps in:

120 ALYA
Lucky for us, Ladybug's gonna come and save us! Right? She's going to COME AND SAVE US!!!

121 ADRIEN
That's right, and we... we're going to go and hide, that's right, hide!

Everybody starts running, going their separate ways.

Alya goes with Marinette advising her like a life coach:

122 ALYA
You're still the best, you always have been. YOU GOT THIS!

123 MARINETTE
Thanks Alya...

The girls go in separate directions.

33 **EXT. ALLEY - DAY**

Marinette is now alone in an alley, where no one can see her. Tikki pops out of her purse.

124 MARINETTE
It's been so long; what does Monarch have in store for us? *

125 TIKKI
Don't let doubt take over, Marinette. You are an amazing Ladybug.

Marinette smiles to her kwami, then gets in position.

126 MARINETTE
Tikki, spots on!

Marinette transforms into Ladybug.

34 **EXT. SUBWAY STATION - DAY**

Adrien has taken refuge in a deserted subway station. Plagg comes out of his shirt.

127 PLAGG
That quiet spell was so wonderful -- I knew it couldn't last!

128 ADRIEN
We're back in business, my friend! Plagg, claws out!

Adrien transforms into Cat Noir.

35 **EXT. ARC DE TRIOMPHE - DAY**

Cat Noir meets up with Ladybug. They land on top of the Arc de Triomphe, where they can see Ikari Gozen running up the Champs Elysées towards them.

129 CAT NOIR
So we *finally* hear from Monarch, and the best he can do is send us a rerun of Ikari Gozen? *

130 LADYBUG
Except we didn’t have to fight her on our own last time!

Cat Noir can feel that Ladybug is second-guessing herself. He tries to reassure her.

131 CAT NOIR
We can do this, M'Lady! We’ve been on our own before!

Right then, Ikari Gozen gets before them with her sword up, ready to slice through the Arc de Triomphe.

132 IKARI GOZEN
Hah, two more Parisian antiques! Ladybug, Cat Noir, it's time for you to be grounded! Paris needs more modern heroes!

The sword comes down on the building. But Cat Noir stretches out his stick to counter the blade.

133 CAT NOIR
Hey! We're not that worn out! We'll prove it!

Ladybug jumps, spinning her yoyo to fight Ikari Gozen while the villain grapples with Cat Noir.

The villain is fast, though, and doesn't let Ladybug reach her, swatting her away with her mechanical paw.

134 LADYBUG
Ouch!

Ladybug falls to the ground. Cat Noir comes and helps her up.

135 CAT NOIR
Are you alright?

136 LADYBUG
I'm fine, thanks.

They start attacking again, but too late -- Ikari Gozen took advantage of the blow she dealt Ladybug to cut the Arc de Triomphe in two.

137 CAT NOIR
No! The Arc de Triomphe!

138 LADYBUG
Don't worry, Cat Noir, I can fix everything!

139 IKARI GOZEN
Ah ah ah! You'll have to defeat me first, Ladybug!

Ikari Gozen turns her back on them to head and heads towards the Grand Palais...

Ladybug and Cat Noir rush forward to catch her.

140 LADYBUG
You've gotta find a way to cataclysm her sword -- that's where the akuma was the last time around.

141 CAT NOIR
You can count on me! I love architecture too much to let her keep on going like this!

36 **EXT. GRAND PALAIS - DAY**

Ikari Gozen stops before the Grand Palais, ready to destroy it.

142 IKARI GOZEN
I'm going to rid Paris of this old Palais!

Ladybug steps in.

143 LADYBUG
Enough! Those aren't just buildings, they're a part of history!

144 IKARI GOZEN
Old History! That one's over a hundred years old! Time to move on!

145 CAT NOIR
Well we agree on something: it *is* time to move on!

Cat Noir gets into position.

146 CAT NOIR (CONT'D)
Cataclysm!

His hand charged with negative energy, he throws himself at the sword. But Ikari Gozen wields it so fast he can’t reach it.

147 CAT NOIR (CONT'D)
She's too fast!

148 LADYBUG
(to herself)
If only we could stop her blade.

Ladybug launches her yoyo, coiling it around the blade. She manages to stop Ikari Gozen for a beat, until the villain rears up and shouts:

149 IKARI GOZEN
Multitude!

Ladybug is so surprised she lets go.

150 LADYBUG
Multitude?

Ikari Gozen instantly divides and shrinks.

151 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
That's the summoning... of the Miraculous of the Mouse...

152 CAT NOIR
...that grants the power of multiplication!

They suddenly find themselves facing twelve Ikari Gozens (they're still bigger than our heroes).

153 IKARI DOZEN
Let's get this over with once and for all!

Like anime samurai, the Ikaris - now turned into Ikari Dozen - separate.

Half of them stay to fight Ladybug and Cat Noir.

The other half goes and attacks monuments with their swords: the Grand palais, the Eiffel Tower and the Montparnasse Tower get sliced in half (seen from a distance).

Ladybug and Cat Noir try to fight the 6 Ikari Dozen that hold them back so the others can go on their destructive spree.

154 LADYBUG
Monarch gave the Miraculous of the Mouse to Ikari Gozen?! *

155 CAT NOIR
Good! Cuz that's the one we're going to get back next!

156 IKARI DOZEN
It is I who is going to get a Miraculous. Yours!

Ladybug flashes a mischievous grin.

157 LADYBUG
The Miraculous? So you're interested in those ancient jewels? I thought you only cared for modern, technological things?

158 CAT NOIR
(whispering to Ladybug)
Nicely played!
(loud, to Ikari Dozen)
She's right, you know! How old are the Miraculous? A hundred years old? Two hundred?

159 LADYBUG
Ooh, they're much older than that, kittycat! Thousands of years old!

160 CAT NOIR
You should give us your old Miraculous, Ikari *Dozen*; it's not modern enough for you!

Ladybug tries to go around the villain, but she keeps them from going away.

161 IKARI DOZEN
Old things can have a purpose, provided they are modernized!

The 6 villains coordinate their attack to push back Ladybug and Cat Noir...

162 CAT NOIR
We're going to have to break all 12 swords?!

163 LADYBUG
No, it will only take one -- she made identical copies of herself.

They are cornered against the ruins of the Grand Palais and surrounded -- there's no way out.

164 CAT NOIR
Why don't you summon your *good old* superpower?

165 LADYBUG
Lucky charm!

Ladybug triggers her Lucky charm and gets... a fishing rod.

166 CAT NOIR
You think she'll take the bait?

167 LADYBUG
We just need to find the right fishing spot!

Ladybug rises above the rooftops with her yoyo to avoid the Ikari Dozens. From up there, she observes Paris and stares at what is left of the school building.

168 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
Found it! Cat Noir, get into position!

As Cat Noir leaps away using the end of his stick...

CUT TO

37 **EXT. SCHOOL - DAY**

Ladybug lures the 6 Ikari Dozens outside a window of the school.

169 LADYBUG
So what, there's six of you and you can't get my Miraculous from me? You're kinda slow for a so-called technological villain, Ikari Dozen!

Ikari Dozen gets even more furious.

170 IKARI DOZEN
Gaaaaaaah!!!!

Through her earpiece, Ladybug contacts Cat Noir.

171 LADYBUG
(low voice)
Are you ready?

38 **INT. SCHOOL / CLASSROOM - DAY**

From his position inside a classroom, Cat Noir answers via his earpiece.

172 CAT NOIR
Fishercat in position!

39 **EXT. SCHOOL - DAY**

As an Ikari Dozen tries to skewer Ladybug...

173 IKARI GOZEN
Make way for the new world!

40 **INT. SCHOOL / CLASSROOM - DAY**

...the blade goes through the open window and hits a metal locker inside the classroom. As it goes down, the locker activates a system of rope and pulleys jerry-rigged from the fishing rod. The mechanism collapses a metal girder which blocks the blade - momentarily preventing Ikari from pulling it out, and giving Cat Noir time to apply his hand, charged with negative energy, on the blade.

174 CAT NOIR
Touché!

When the Megakuma comes out of the akumatized blade...

41 **EXT. SCHOOL - DAY**

... it goes out the window Ladybug is standing at.

175 LADYBUG
No more evil-doing for you, big butterfly. Time to de-evilize! *

Ladybug captures it.

176 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
Gotcha!

She frees it from the yoyo, out of which a butterfly flies away, back to a normal size and white in color.

177 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
Bye bye, little butterfly!

All the Ikari Dozens in Paris collapse and vanish.

178 CAT NOIR
Looks like we still got it, M'Lady!

179 LADYBUG / CAT NOIR
Pound it!

The one they defeated transforms back into Mrs. Tsurugi.

180 MRS. TSURUGI
What happened?

Cat Noir comes and helps her to her feet.

181 CAT NOIR
You were akumatized.

183 MRS. TSURUGI *
How could I help it? They refused
to let me demolish the Buttes *
Chaumont Park to make way for my
Technopole.

184 LADYBUG
You can build it somewhere else.

185 MRS. TSURUGI
Perhaps.

186 LADYBUG
Mrs. Tsurugi, can you check whether
you have a Miraculous with you?

187 MRS. TSURUGI
Why would I have a Miraculous?

188 LADYBUG
While you were akumatized... you
used the power of a Miraculous.

189 CAT NOIR
Monarch must have given it to you. *

190 MRS. TSURUGI
I have no recollection of that
happening.

191 LADYBUG
(to Cat Noir)
No one remembers what happens during their akumatization.

192 MRS. TSURUGI
What does it look like?

193 LADYBUG
It's a coin with a hole in the center, worn as a pendant.

Mrs. Tsurugi finishes going through her stuff.

194 MRS. TSURUGI
I don't have anything like it with me.

195 LADYBUG
How did Monarch do it then? *

196 CAT NOIR
That's the surprise he had in store for us after lying low for so long!

Ladybug puts a hand to her earrings -- they're flashing.

197 LADYBUG
We're gonna have to go.

Ladybug throws the fishing rod in the air.

198 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
Miraculous Ladybug!

42 **INSERTS - PARIS - VARIOUS**

The magic ladybugs fix the damage caused by Ikari Dozen. All the buildings are restored.

43 **EXT. SCHOOL - DAY**

Ladybug takes a Magical Charm out of her yoyo. She places it in Mrs. Tsurugi's hand.

199 LADYBUG
This Magical Charm will help you remember that some emotions can cloud our judgment.

200 CAT NOIR
And that the old monuments of Paris are one of the reasons why this city is one of the most beautiful in the whole world!

Mrs. Tsurugi closes her hand around the lucky charm.

201 MRS. TSURUGI
Thank you.

202 LADYBUG
Bug out.

Ladybug and Cat Noir leave.

We stay with Mrs. Tsurugi. Now alone, she goes to her automatic, driverless car.

As she sits in the back:

203 MRS. TSURUGI
Tatsu, take me to the office.

204 TATSU (O.S.)
Yes, Mrs. Tsurugi.

Then she touches her ring. The jewel turns on and brings up Gabriel's hologram.

205 GABRIEL AGRESTE'S VOICE
Mrs. Tsurugi.

206 MRS. TSURUGI
Gabriel, the prototype works perfectly.

Gabriel (through his hologram) concurs:

207 GABRIEL
In every way. We can move on to the next step.

44 **INT. GRAND PALAIS - NIGHT**

INSERT COMMERCIAL: Classical music, close-ups of every angle of a ring.

Then, against a white backdrop, Gabriel Agreste in a new suit (the one he was drawing earlier) turns around to address the camera, with an unusually benevolent smile.

208 GABRIEL
The ties that bind us are precious. Unique.

Gabriel holds a ring between his fingers.

209 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
They can all be found inside a jewel. Unique. Alliance.

The picture of Gabriel is followed by one of Adrien doing his homework.

210 GABRIEL (O.S.) (CONT'D)
Alliance informs.

Adrien is wearing the ring. He touches it and out comes a hologram of Lila. He talks to her:

211 ADRIEN
Alliance, can you please tell me what the square root of 71.174 is?

The small Lila hologram (wearing white) answers:

212 LILA HOLOGRAM'S VOICE
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A different shot. Lila is walking down a street.

213 GABRIEL (OFF)
Alliance guides.

Lila is wearing the ring too. She touches it and out comes a hologram of Adrien (wearing white):

214 LILA
Alliance, can you please tell me where I can find the best shoes around here?

The small Adrien hologram answers:

215 ADRIEN HOLOGRAM'S VOICE
500 feet down the street is a *Gabriel* store!

216 GABRIEL (OFF)
Alliance protects.

217 LILA HOLOGRAM'S VOICE
Careful, Adrien! A megakuma has appeared at the Louvre. *

218 ADRIEN
Thank you Alliance. Can you please show me where to hide?

219 GABRIEL (OFF)
Alliance binds.

Adrien takes refuge inside the *Gabriel* store right as Lila steps inside.

They locks eyes. Take each other’s hand. Their rings interlock.

220 NEUTRAL VOICEOVER
Created by Tsurugi. Designed by Gabriel. Alliance.

(Packshot ring)

221 GABRIEL (OFF)
Bringing you closer together.

When the commercial ends, the lights comes back on inside the Grand Palais. Deafening applause for Gabriel and Tsurugi, holding hands on stage.

In the front row, Adrien is goggling at the stage. Lila leans towards him:

222 LILA
Your father is a genius!

Adrien's look is clearly unconvinced.

Next to them are Kagami and some journalists.

Gabriel beckons Adrien and Lila on stage. They obey.

Once he's beside his father, Adrien whispers:

223 ADRIEN
Father, is this why you...
digitized me?!

Gabriel gives him a protective smile:

224 GABRIEL
Yes, my son; I am freeing you from your career as a model. That’s what you wanted, isn’t it?

Adrien is speechless.

45 **INT. GRAHAM DE VANILLY APARTMENT - NIGHT**

In London, we find Amelie walking across her living room to bring tea to...

... her son, Felix, sitting in an armchair.

225 AMELIE
Oh my Felix! Don't worry, Mom is here to protect you from those superheroes who think you’re a villain.

Once he’s alone, Felix puts on his Peacock Miraculous. Duusu comes out.

226 DUUSU
Where's Nathalie?

Duusu looks surprised that only Felix is here.

227 DUUSU
Are you my new holder?

228 FELIX
Oh I am much more than that, Duusu.

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